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REMARKS

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1. Intensive training activity was observed at the KVP billets in Pasewalk from 20 March through 17 April 1953. Up to 300 men were seen doing basic training in the smaller of the two drill grounds available there. details of 8 to 15 men wore yellow-bordered black epaulets laying telephone cables.

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3. A Kreis registration office headed by Senior Lieutenant Oltersdorf (fnu) was established in a requisitioned villa at the intersection of Gartenstrasse and Ringstrasse. [ ] universal military service was expected to be introduced by 1 June 1953. Military courts would allegedly be established at the same time. <sup>1</sup>

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4. About 10:15 a.m. on 8 April, [ ] a KVP train passing through Pasewalk toward Stralsund. The train was loaded with 12 to 16 T 34/85 tanks, 15 to 20 trucks, 8 to 10 new field kitchens, and about 150 VP personnel. About 11:30 a.m. on the same day, [ ] a KVP train passing through Zucssow headed for Stralsund. This train carried 18 to 20 T 34/85 tanks, 8 to 10 model 42/45-mm AT guns, 10 to 15 trucks and about 180 VP personnel. <sup>2</sup>

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5. From 20 March to 20 April, a total of about 1,000 VP personnel and 150 officers were stationed in Pasewalk. Sedans [ ] and trucks [ ]

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seen. Five trucks which on 11 April passed through Pasewalk en route from the direction of Prenzlau toward Viereck loaded with soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets [ ] On 20 March, sedans [ ] and [ ] truck [ ] entered the former Kuerassier Kaserne.

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6. On 27 March, the transportation police previously posted at Pasewalk railroad station was released by a KVP guard detachment of 2 officers, 2 NCOs, and 6 EM, who wore red arm bands with a yellow stripe. <sup>3</sup>

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7. In mid-April 1953, [redacted] the installation quartered more than 2,000 KVP personnel. On 16 April, [redacted] cross-country passenger cars [redacted] drivers with yellow-bordered black epaulets, entering the barracks installation. The afternoon of 18 April, truck [redacted] loaded with personnel wearing red epaulets, entered the barracks installation.

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1. [redacted] Comment. Registration offices have been established in every Kreis throughout East Germany. So far, all dates mentioned for the promulgation of universal military service have proved unfounded.
2. [redacted] Comment. The shipments observed carried units of the division in Prora which after holding practices northeast of Pasewalk returned to Prora.
3. [redacted] Comment. KVP railroad transportation offices have been established in Pasewalk and other major KVP military posts. They are charged with the control of military passenger traffic.

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